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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Alvarez et al.

Serial No.: 09/079,678

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For: RANDOM PEPTIDES THAT BIND TO

GASTRO-INTESTINAL TRACT (GIT)

TRANSPORT RECEPTORS AND

**RELATED METHODS** 

Art Unit: 1653

Examiner: Avis M. Davenport

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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Box AF Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated June 19, 2001, be extended for a period of 3 month(s) from September 19, 2001 to and including December 19, 2001.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be <u>\$920</u>. Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Date

December 19, 2001

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